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TAGS: PFOR, US, FR, IR

SUBJ: US CREDIBILITY AS ALLY AFTER VIET-NAM

REF:BANGKOK 6443

WE READ WITH INTEREST COMMENTS OF FRENCH COUNSELOR BANGKOK THAT ON RECENT TRIP TO FRANCE AND IRAN HE HAD SENSED A QUESTIONING OF US RELIABILITY AS AN ALLY (REFTEL). AT SOCIAL OCCASION APRIL 16 PRIME MINISTER HOVEYDA, WHO RETURNED FROM PARIS PREVIOUS EVENING, MADE POINT OF TELLING DCM THAT GISCARD AND CHIRAC THINK VERY HIGHLY OF UNITED STATES AND DO NOT BELIEVE EVENTS IN VIET-NAM HAVE DIMINISHED IMPORTANCE OF US COMMITMENTS TO OR INTEREST IN REST OF WORLD. ASKED HOW HE HE HIMSELF SAW SITUATION, HOVEYDA SAID HE AGREED WITH GISCARD AND CHIRAC. HE ADDED THAT US TAKES THIS MATTER MORE SERIOUSLY THAN OTHER COUNTRIES SINCE IT IS ONLY 200 YEARS OLD AND HAS NOT YET HAD UPS AND DOWNS OF QUOTE MORE MATURE UNQUOTE NATIONS. HOVEYDA SAID ONLY THING THAT WORRIES IRANIANS IS FEAR THAT US CONGRESS IS TRYING TO TAKE OVER AND RUN THINGS WHICH HE THINKS WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE. HE NOTED THAT 90 OR SO FRESHMEN  
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